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9 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
10 FOR THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

11 CRIMINAL CASE NO. 04-00038

12 **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,**

13 Plaintiff,

14 vs.

15 **DECLARATION OF COUNSEL IN**
16 **SUPPORT OF EX PARTE MOTION TO**
17 **SHORTEN TIME**

18 **ERIC JOHN TUDELA MAFNAS,**

19 Defendant.

20 I, Stephanie G. Flores, state as follows:

21 1. I am an attorney licensed to practice law in the United States Federal District Court of the
22 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and in good standing with the CNMI Bar Association.

23 2. I am the Attorney of Record for Eric J.T. Mafnas, one of the defendants in this matter.

24 3. That on or about July 30 or 31, 2005 I received a "draft" report from the U.S. Attorney's office
prepared by Special Agent Joseph Arthur in connection with a recently held interview of Carl
Cabrera.

4. In that draft report Mr. Cabrera related that a Mr. Roqui Matagolai was involved in a controlled
buy that involved both Mr. Cabrera and Mr. Mafnas. Mr. Matagolai is a present client of my firm

1 on a drug case in the Commonwealth Superior Court.

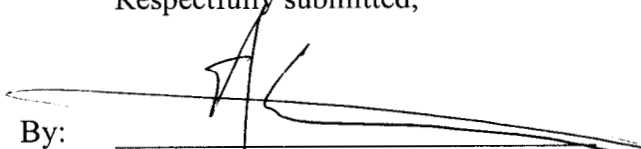
2 5. Mr. Matagolai could not be contacted prior to this writing despite taking reasonable steps to do
3 so and thus has not waived any conflicts of interest that may be present.

4 6. I declare under penalty of perjury of the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing
5 statement is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

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7 Dated this 1st day of August, 2005.

8 Respectfully submitted,

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10 By:


11 **STEPHANIE G. FLORES**
12 Attorney for Defendant,
13 *Eric J.T. Mafnas*
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